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"With effect from 15th August 1947, there will be no more recruitment to the old All-India Services. Two of those services, viz., the I.C.S. and the I.P. have been replaced by the Indian Administrative Service and the Indian Police Service respectively, to which recruitment will be made on an all-India basis. Rules regulating recruitment, conditions of service, discipline, etc., in respect of these services have not yet been issued, but it is likely that they will not differ very much from those which have hitherto applied to the I.C.S. and the I.P. In the case of the remaining services, namely, the Indian Agricultural Service, the Indian Educational Service, the Indian Forest Service, the Indian Service of Engineers, the Indian Veterinary Service and the Indian Medical Service, the posts borne on the cadres of those services, except the Indian Medical Service, have already been brought on to the cadres of the corresponding provincial services. Posts borne on the cadre of the Indian Medical Service are being included in the Madras Medical Service and the rules are being amended. Future appointments, etc., to all these posts will be governed by the statutory rules applicable to the Provincial Services concerned.

"Mr. President, this question being long, I have had the answer cyclostyled and copies have been laid on the table of the House for the benefit of hon. Members."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"May I know what remedy exists for officers now after the 15th August 1947; if they are punished by Government? May I know whether they can submit memorials to His Excellency the Governor or appeal to His Excellency, as they were able to do before that date?"

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—"I must go into the question and will be able to give an answer a little while later. At present it seems to me that the whole thing is finished with the Provincial Government; but whether an appeal lies and if so, to whom is a matter that has to be investigated and I will be able to give an answer some time later."

Income of religious institutions which are paying contributions to Hindu Religious Endowment Boards.

* 2 *Q.*—SRI P. VEERABHADRASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to state—

(*a*) the income of the various religious institutions which are paying contributions to the Hindu Religious Endowments Board; and

(*b*) the amount spent by these institutions for religious and secular education?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Premier) :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The collection of statistics for the

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entire Presidency involves considerable labour and time. The member's attention is invited to the latest Administration Report of the Hindu Religious Endowments Board. If the information on the points raised is required in respect of any particular district or districts, it will be called for."

Speech made by Mr. Gentle.

* 3 *Q*.—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have perused the speech made by the retiring Chief Justice Mr. Gentle on the occasion he bade farewell to the members of the Bar on or about 15th January 1948;

(*b*) whether there was any interference by the Ministry in the matter of administration of justice by the High Court; and

(*c*) whether there was any difference between the Ministry and the Chief Justice regarding the method of recruitment to the High Court Bench?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Premier) :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) No.

" (*c*) No."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" Does not the speech imply that there has been some interference by Ministers or the Ministry in the matter of the administration of justice in the Province? "

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" It is not at all true; there is no such thing as that."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" Have the Government perused the recent judgment of the ex-Chief Justice and of another Judge in the matter of the appeal petition of the S.R.V.S. Company *versus* the Government wherein they have observed that Government is interfering with the statutory functions of the Central Traffic Board and the subordinate authorities which are judicial in character? "

THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" I would submit that in the judgment no such thing has been said. The whole question was about the scope and extent of the validity of rule 150 of the Motor Vehicles Rules, under which the Government have taken powers to give instructions to those authorities. It was held after an examination of the whole structure of the Act that rule 150 is not within the powers of the Legislation and an amending Act is being brought in and that is being regularized. It is merely a difference of opinion regarding the construction and the validity and scope of rule 150 which is, in fact, based on the model by-laws given to us by the Central Government."